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Nigeria Needs Christian Teachers

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Personnel, Baptist Foreign Mission
Board, Richmond, 20,
Virginia

Our Baptist College at Iwo, Nigeria, West Africa, is in desperate need of teachers. Unless two are available by August 1, 1945, the college may be compelled to close, due to its failure to meet government educational requirements.

The lack of missionary volunteers to Africa who are ready for immediate appointment compels the Foreign Mission Board to seek other means to save the school. Two teachers, one for English, the other for Education (school method), will be sent to Nigeria under a two or three-year contract. The fact that English is the official language of the British colony of Nigeria makes this policy practicable.

The annual salary for a contract
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CORRECTION

In the May 3 issue of The Baptist Record the article "Cole Brothers Give \$15,000 to Foundation" appeared. In this article it was stated: "This Foundation is open for anybody who desires to add to it any time." This statement is not true. The Cole Brothers Foundation is their own, and it is not open for others to add to it, but what was meant in the statement was that money or property could be given by anyone with the income going for the same purpose as the Cole Brothers Foundation. It is the desire
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Predicts Continuation Of Restrictions Of Travel To Religious Gatherings

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Commenting on published reports that restrictions on travel to religious gatherings of all kinds may be lifted, a spokesman for the War Committee on Conventions said here there is "no reason" to believe such predictions will come to pass.

On the other hand, the spokesman declared, travel in the next six months is going to be more restricted than ever, because more than 3,000,000 men will be coming home for furlough. They will have to be transferred to the west coast for transport to the Pacific fighting zones.

However, the spokesman admitted that protests against the ban on church travel have been growing in number and in intensity particularly since War Mobilization Director Fred Vinson lifted the ban on racing. (Editor's note: Horse racing, night clubs, and liquor making are O. K.)

My Favorite Sermon

Three Things Baptists Believe About A New Testament Church



W. A. Sullivan
Pastor, First Baptist Church, Natchez

(Editor's Note: With this issue we begin the series of favorite sermons. Space limitations make it necessary to condense these sermons, but our readers will understand. The next sermon subject will be "Strengthening Our Churches.")

Informed and intelligent Baptists

have some very definite beliefs about a New Testament church.

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ was the founder of the first New Testament church. He said, "Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." He Himself is the Founder of the New Testament church. Every so-called denomination in the world can trace its origin to some man or woman who was its founder, except the Baptists. Historians have never named any man or woman as the founder of a Baptist church. Baptists humbly believe that the teachings and practices of their churches are the same as those we read about in the New Testament. They believe that the Lord Jesus Christ was the Founder of the church from which every true Baptist church descended.

Who Can Be Members?

We believe that only believers in Christ, who have been baptized in the way Christ Himself was baptized can be members of a New Testament church. Without a single exception additions to the New Testament churches are persons who had first made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ. After their profession of faith,

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Convention Beginnings Recounted

By WALTER M. GILMORE

Southern Baptists began their organized life in the South long before the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in Augusta, Ga., May 8, 1845. The first Baptist church in the South was organized in 1683 in Charleston, S. C. Groups of churches were organized into associations. And then came the organization of the state conventions in the first part of the nineteenth century.

In 1814, under the impetus of the foreign mission movement launched

by Judson and Rice, the Triennial Convention was organized by the Baptists of America. Southern Baptists co-operated with this organization in doing their domestic and foreign mission work until 1845. By this time the question of slavery had become very acute. Agitation grew more bitter. It was both a political and a religious issue. The Northern brethren refused to appoint our Southern brethren as missionaries who were slave owners.

So, in the interest of peace and
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Mississippian Appointed Chief Of Navy Chaplains

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Rear Admiral William N. Thomas has been appointed Chief of Chaplains to succeed Rear Admiral Robert D. Workman. Admiral Thomas, whose promotion from Captain to Rear Admiral has just been approved by the Senate, is at present Chief of Chaplains at the Annapolis Naval Academy.

Chaplain Workman, who completes his eighth year of service in June as head of the navy chaplain division, has been assigned to another post, but
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Brotherhood Progress Has Been Phenominal

Lawson H. Cooke
General Secretary, Memphis

In 1926, the Baptist Brotherhood of the South succeeded the old Laymen's Missionary Movement which was launched in May, 1907. The progress of the Brotherhood movement has been phenomenal. From a few Brotherhoods in 1926, it has grown to Brotherhoods in more than three thousand churches with an enroll-
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JUNE 24 IS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DAY

What: Christian Education Day, the last Sunday in June, has for many years been set apart in the denominational calendar for stressing the importance of Christian education, informing our people about our educational institutions, and enlisting them in the patronage and support of the same.

Why: The prime purpose of this special day is educational. Everybody in a democracy should be educated, especially Baptists. Christian education is of supreme importance. We must have educated leaders: pastors, missionaries, authors, editors, execu-
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L. S. POLK

L. S. POLK JOINS BAPTISTS

Rev. L. S. Polk, Jr., and his wife have enrolled in Clarke Memorial College and moved to the campus. Until a few days ago Brother Polk was pastor of the Central Church of the Nazarene in Meridian. In coming to the college he comes also to the Baptists and is beginning preparation for the Baptist ministry.

Brother Polk was born in South Mississippi, united with the Baptist church as a youth, was baptized by Brother B. E. Phillips, and for a time was a member of the Griffith Memorial church in Jackson. Some years ago he moved to the gulf coast and because the Nazarene people greeted him with more cordiality and interest he became a member, and later a preacher of that denomination. At the time of his return to the Baptist fellowship he held one of the most important Nazarene pulpits in Mississippi and was president of the state young people's organization.

His is the case of Baptist exile returning to the fellowship, where his sincerest convictions have always been. Mississippi Baptists will hear more of this enterprising young preacher.

-Sparks & Splinters-

Dr. Frank H. Leavell, head of the Student Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, for many years, had bestowed on him the honorary degree of L. H. D., (Doctor of Humanities) by Baylor University at its recent commencement, May 28. Some years ago, Mississippi College conferred on him the LL.D. degree. He is a graduate of the University of Mississippi and of Columbia University.

Evangelist John R. Rice has written another book of sermons entitled "The Ruin of a Christian" that "reprove, rebuke, exhort with long suffering and doctrine." The sermon subjects are: The Ruin of a Christian, Lukewarmness—The Sin That Makes God Vomit, God's Slaughter Crew, The Curse of Hidden Sins, The Sin of Lying, "Break Up Your Fallow Ground, and Sow Not Among Thorns," The Seven-Fold Sin of Those Who Do Not Win Souls, "Speak Not Evil One of Another, Brethren; Judge Not!" "Be Ye Not Unequally Yoked Together with Unbelievers," Washing Dirty Feet, A New Star. The price is \$1.00 and orders should be sent to The Sword of the Lord Publishers, Wheaton, Illinois, or to the Baptist Book Store.

Luther Copeland, of Mt. Nebo, W. Va., will be chairman of the student executive committee of Mullins Hall, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, next session. Other members of the committee will be: James Stertz, St. Louis, Mo.; Judson Lennon, Wake Forest, N. C.; W. C. Fields, Gibsland, La.; and Fred Sliger, Chattanooga, Tenn.

New York—(RNS)—The Rev. Reuben E. Nelson, executive secretary of the Detroit Baptist Missionary Society, has been named executive secretary of the Council on Finance and Promotion of the Northern Baptist Convention, it was announced here. He succeeds Dr. Earle F. Adams, now executive director of the Protestant Council of New York. Before going to Detroit on Nov. 1, 1943, Mr. Nelson was executive secretary of the Minnesota Baptist Convention for five years, and professor of New Testament at Bethel Theological Seminary at St. Paul, Minn., for two years.

A very profitable VBS recently closed at the Daniel church. The enrollment reached 111 with an average attendance of 97. More than twenty ladies served on the faculty. Others were willing to serve had they been needed. Commencement exercises were held on Sunday evening following the close of the school. Several were baptized into the fellowship of the church that same evening.—C. S. Thomas, pastor.

On June 3 there were 56 enrolled in the Sunday school of Brewer church and 81 present. Forty-six were present at the Training Union and the enrollment is 44. Our revival will begin June 1 with Rev. W. E. Stewart of Hattiesburg doing the preaching.—Pastor.

Dr. J. Clyde Turner, of Greensboro, N. C., was re-elected chairman of the board of trustees of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at the annual meeting of the board held at the seminary recently. The board advanced Dr. Edward A. McDowell from associate professor to professor, in the Department of New Testament Interpretation.

+ INTO ALL THE WORLD +

M. THERON RANKIN, Executive Secretary

E. C. ROUTH, Editor, The Commission

RELIEF

As war devastated areas are opened to communications, the call for help for starving and destitute millions becomes more insistent. But our receipts of relief funds are rapidly decreasing.

In addition to meeting the requests for immediate help, we must have funds in reserve for use in the occupied areas of China and Europe. As our missionaries return to their places of work, they will find thousands of destitute Christians. These people must be helped before our regular mission work can be rehabilitated. We must prepare now for that need.

Let us not forget the millions of hungry and homeless people around the world. Send contributions for relief to the Foreign Mission Board. Literature for distribution will be sent on request.

M. Theron Rankin.

The seven Southern Baptist missionaries who were interned many months at Baguio, Luzon, Philippines, and liberated recently by the American armed forces have all been returned to the United States. Their addresses are: Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Culpepper, Little Rock, Arkansas; (Miss) Fern Harrington, Atlanta, Missouri; (Miss) Cleo Morrison, Telephone, Texas; Mrs. Rufus Gray, Tampa, Florida; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Dyer, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Dr. Paul O'Neal, M.D., and Mrs. O'Neal, Dr. Howard McCamey, D.D.S. and Mrs. McCamey, of Dallas, Texas, were scheduled to sail the latter part of May for Nigeria, West Africa. The McCameys are returning for their second term of service. The O'Neals were on the Zam Zam which was sunk by the Germans and are going to Nigeria for their first term.

We had a Vacation school at Olive Branch the week of May 28. There were 84 enrolled and the average attendance was 69.—Milton Payne.

Mrs. R. P. Mahon died at Pineville, Kentucky, on May 16. Her husband is a teacher in the Mountain Preacher's School at Pineville. Mrs. Mahon was the daughter of the honored G. M. Savage, for long a teacher in and once the president of Union University, Jackson, Tenn. She was a sister of Mrs. M. E. Dodd of Shreveport, La. From 1898 to 1912 she served with her husband as mission-

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Lt. Kermit R. Kofler, who in prewar days was one of the leading members of the First Baptist Church, Water Valley, recently wrote as follows: "The first issue of The Baptist Record sent by Brother Wilds' courtesy has reached me, and I have read it with interest and appreciation. It is the same good and interesting help I've always found it to be under your editorship. It has been my privilege since I've been in London to attend church at least once practically every Sunday. I attend Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, of which Dr. Lord, editor of the Baptist paper here, is pastor. You would enjoy him. My good wishes. Your friend, Kermit."

Missionary W. Dewey Moore, who spent several weeks in Italy surveying missionary conditions writes: "In Italy we have found everywhere among Evangelical believers a wonderful spirit of confidence and assurance in God and in the future in His hand. There is also a marvelous spirit of oneness and co-operation between all groups that augurs good things ahead. There are clear evidences that the Italian Evangelicals are far stronger and more deeply rooted in native soil. The future has never seemed brighter than now." He adds that an anonymous gift of \$50 a month sent as a supplement gift to be divided among ten struggling Italian pastors is appreciated by these grateful men.

In compliance with recommendations adopted by the Foreign Mission Board at its April meeting, Secretary Everett Gill, Jr., accompanied by his family will leave the middle of July for South America to spend a year and a half or two years in residence in such centers as Recife, Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, and other strategic cities in South America where he will be able to study at close range missionary needs and opportunities in that great continent.

Dr. M. T. Rankin and Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., attended a recent Mexican mission meeting in El Paso. We now have thirteen missionaries to Mexico, of whom four, the Piersons and Reids are residing in Mexico, with another couple, the Cranes, soon to join them. The Mexican Seminary will probably be removed next fall from El Paso to Toluca, near Mexico City, where we own choice property used for our large mission school years ago.

Dr. J. T. Williams, interim secretary for the Orient, returned early in May from several weeks' visit to Hawaii. While he was there a new church was organized. Baptists have unusual opportunities in Hawaii. More Japanese have been won to Christ and baptized by the six churches in the Hawaiian Islands than had been won in Japan covering a much longer period of time. Many of these Japanese Christians came from Okinawa and have expressed their desire to return to Okinawa to witness for Christ. Interracial groups have joined in establishing Baptist churches which are glorifying God by soul-winning and scriptural stewardship. We need to maintain a permanent missionary force in Hawaii until the churches are thoroughly established.

We have a letter from Missionary L. L. Johnson, Caixa 178, Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil, in which he indicates that he is busy: "At present I am teaching Hebrew, Evangelism, Religion and Archeology in the Seminary, and will teach Bible Introduction in the Training School. In addition, I am pastor of two churches and director of the extension department of the Seminary, and field missionary in Pernambuco and in Maranhao, 600 miles northwest of here."

The Foreign Mission Board received a check for \$25 from a young man who is in service in the Southwest Pacific area. He wrote that if it had

not been for the preparation of the islanders by the missionaries, their forces would never have been able to take the islands with the speed they did. "The natives told our forces that they were helping them, not only because they felt it was right to do so from the Christian standpoint, but also they wanted to return a favor—which made it possible for them to have the gospel. They wanted to make it possible to learn more about the gospel."

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hagood and Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Callaway sailed early in May for Syria. The Callaways will be located, eventually, at Beirut and the Hagoods at Damascus.

Rev. Carl A. Clark of El Dorado, Arkansas, reports a very interesting Missionary Emphasis Week in Liberty Association in that state. Only one church out of fourteen, he writes, had ever had a school before. The executive board of the association voted to plan a similar program for next year.

The Cabarrus Association in North Carolina reports enthusiastic and profitable schools of missions in the churches of that section. There were several missionary volunteers.

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The Vacation Bible School and BSU Study Course for Beaumont church will be held the week of July 15.

Strong Voices Among Us Are Multiplying

J. B. Weatherspoon
Chairman, Louisville

The beginning of the second century of our Convention's history is marked by a sharpening conviction that Southern Baptists have a leading part to play in maintaining the moral foundations of our nation's life. Strong voices among us are multiplying and the nature of our ethical task is being more clearly defined. This progressive awakening raises the hope that, in this second century of our Convention's history, Baptists of the South will assume a noble leadership and bring to bear upon every area of our social life the high teachings of Christian morality.

This end is the purpose of the Social Service Commission. We are confronted by trends and tensions that require sincerest Christian faith and character. The race problem, the family problem, the crime problem, the alcohol problem, the problems of vice, the problems of internal government, and the problems of international relationships—all of these and more constitute the complex environment in which Christianity must operate in our day. All have their moral and spiritual aspects which we cannot evade, but must understand. And, understanding, we must act. In order to do a surer and better service the commission has divided its membership into groups for a more adequate study of our regional problems and through the gracious cooperation of our Baptist papers these groups will publish brief articles from time to time during the next Convention year.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

Today we arrived in Juneau, Alaska, the Capital City of 5,200 population. It is a modest town with what seems to be the capitol building at a central point on a hill—though being Sunday we haven't investigated it as yet. Snow-capped mountains, clothed in dark green garments are all around. It is pleasant in the valleys. The first thing we went out to look for was a church. The first man met and questioned such he didn't know about those things. We knew there was no Baptist church here. Presbyterians are here—Northern Light Presbyterians. We hope they are heavy weights. Baptists are not here in the Capital City. Methodists are here. The Assembly of God is here. The Catholics are here. The liquor stores are here. BAPTISTS ARE NOT HERE. Forsooth, who drinks the liquor without the Baptists? Well, maybe Baptists are afraid they will go too fast and get ahead of God, so they haven't moved in yet.

What did Jesus say in Acts 1:8, Mark 16:15, and the last verses of Matthew? Did He mean every word of it? Why don't Baptists obey Him?

I

The question has kept coming, "How did the lovely and spacious office building purchased for a Baptist Building come to your attention with force enough to pass the emphasis to others?" Well, first, it didn't "just happen." It didn't just jump out at us from nothing. There is a forceful saying, "The Lord helps those who help themselves." There we have faith and works as per James, second chapter. So, the Lord helps! We believe He helped here! Others feel the same way about it! It is all His business, so why not? Again, somehow we kept feeling after something. Unofficially we had Mr. C. C. Smith, prominent realtor, look at several buildings on Capital street. He did so but nothing developed in that direction. Among other things, we wanted the Baptist Book Store with us. We felt they would hardly leave Capital street. While Mr. Smith was coming to our office with reports from other buildings he mentioned the building we later purchased. We almost waved it aside but went and looked at it. It seemed fine, except we were not sure about the location. The location grew upon us. Many office visitors come in cars. They have to park and walk back two or three blocks. Parking space should always be available near the new building.

As tactfully as we knew how we presented it to the Building Committee. They liked it and had us call a Board meeting. You know the rest.

We believe God will always lead His people if we seek and do His will! Oh, but how some men get in God's way! A thing too easy for any of us!

II

First Baptist Church, Laurel, is to be commended, and Dr. L. G. Gates is to be congratulated, as pastor, on the recent milestone markings in the mutual ministry of this great church and great pastor. This church is one of our strongest and most active churches. They like to lead in every good work. They excel many churches of larger membership. The pastor is in a class by himself as a minister, and we could say as a fisherman as well. Few men are privileged to have as long and successful career in a single pastorate. It takes a really great church for this sort of thing, as well as a great leadership on the part of the pastor. Dr. Gates will be useful for years as the Lord lets him live and Mississippi Baptists should keep him as busy as his strength will permit. Numbers 6:24-26; Psalm 121; John 15.

A busy, happy day on Sunday at Tybertown in the morning—fine congregation, a great heart, was away preaching.

In the afternoon at Johnston Station—large congregation. Visitors were present from Montgomery and other points. Pastor B. E. Craft is one of our alert, constructive young pastors.

At night we were inspired by two fine graduating classes at Holmes Junior College. Excellent musical program under Mrs. Mackey's direction. Small wonder President Ray Branch and his helpers are happy!

We invited Mr. J. A. Travis to go with us one Sunday recently. We made three services in as many churches. We gave Mr. Travis some time at each place. He makes a good presentation. We enjoyed his fellowship. He is able, earnest, and cooperative! We wish for him every success!

III

"Are ye able?" Read Matthew 20:20-28. "It costs to pray!" "Are ye able?" Read Matthew 6:9-15. Some costs of prayer! It costs the recognition of God as Father! The Father has authority—are we ready to acknowledge His rule? The Father is the head of the household! The Father provides! His very name is hallowed! Yet, how many drag it in the mire! It costs reception in the Kingdom! He rules over His kingdom! We are subjects! It costs the recognition of His will—not our own! It costs in the recognition of His providential provision! It costs in the forgiveness of the trespasses of others against us. It costs the recognition of His leadership away from sin. It costs in a recognition of the consummation of the ages in Him!

"Are ye able," said the Master, "To be crucified with me?"

"Yea," the conquering Christian answered, "To the death we follow Thee."

"Are ye able," still the Master whispers down eternity,

That his pardoned soul is worthy of a place in Paradise?

"Are ye able," still the Master, Whispers down eternity,

And heroic spirits answer, Now, as then, in Galilee.

"Lord, we are able, Our spirits are Thine

Remold them, make us like Thee, divine:

Thy guiding radiance above us shall be

A beacon to God, To love and loyalty."

The above is the substance of a brief and we believe a timely message we were happy to bring to the B. S. U. Retreat, Calvary, Jackson.

IV

At the Central Pastors Conference we were asked to speak on the theme,

"Baptists and the Next Century." We were in a serious mood, for heavy responsibilities had been pressing in upon us. We left any thought of parading Baptists and dug out some, to us at least, sobering thoughts. The gist of the message follows:

The world is waiting to be possessed, driven, motivated by something. To some it will be love of money, love of pleasure, love of politics, or love for Christ. Some will be mastered by "isms," others by Christ. Baptists believe they have the greatest of obsessions—Christ! A colorless, passionless life the next century will never impress the world.

Second, when will God raise up a denomination of soul winners? When will denominational and church leaders en masse do this thing for Jesus' sake? During the next century Baptists may impress the world by really becoming soul winners. There are not over 20,000,000 Baptists among the world population of 2,000,000,000. Only one Baptist to each 100 of the world population? Does that represent the appeal of the New Testament life, the power of the Gospel of Christ? No! Heresy, sin, strife and persecution have stood in the way. Note that three of the four barriers were from within Baptist ranks! Let us not get the habit of blaming others altogether for OUR failures! Baptists must rise above this the next century. We must press on in Evangelism, Missions, Christian Education and Benevolences! Baptists have unlimited potentialities! Let us realize on them the next century!

Third, Baptists must press on in the next century featuring their great New Testament life: (1) Salvation by grace through faith; (2) The Bible as the sole and sufficient rule of faith and practice; (3) Believer's baptism; (4) Independent and congregational churches; (5) A pure church; (6) Separation of church and state; and (7) Loyalty to Christ to the death!

Fourth, we doubt if any denomination has ever demonstrated to the world the desire of Christ as given in John 13:34-35, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Love will win. Just about everything else has been tried within and without the churches. Why not try His way? Baptists must walk this way, if they win in the next century! Christ waits on it! The world waits on it! If we do these things VICTORY will come and down the halls of the century perhaps God in His providence will let us look through the portholes of the skies and view Baptists winning multitudes unto Him!

Baptists now need 5,000 foreign missionaries instead of our 500; 2,400 home missionaries instead of our 400; to take our institutions out of the "beggar class," to put State Missions where Jesus put it in Acts 1:8, and to "shoot straight" with the people, always putting and keeping monies given to the proper causes! WE GO FORWARD INTO THIS CENTURY!

V

Convention Board books show for the year 1944 that our Sunday schools gave for State Missions the amount of \$915.89 and for Home and Foreign Missions \$10,868.22. They further shown that W. M. U. gave for State Missions \$21,429.98 (only \$15,000 of this, however, went into State Mission budget); for Home Missions \$29,106.17, and for Foreign Missions \$31,404.85.

Of course it might truthfully be said that these organizations gave more from other channels. To the reverse it might be said that the churches made it possible for these organizations to give the above sums. The B. T. U. and Brotherhood gave no special offerings, but participated in all the general work.

This brief meditation came to us as we were asked the question about the amount of money given by the various organizations in comparison with monies coming in through the churches as such. The above offerings total about \$100,000 during the year 1944, all contributions totalling \$938,000.

Others have the right to feel as they please about it, but we are happy in the belief that this shows the emphasis where Jesus believed it and taught, namely, upon His church as a whole. The agencies and departments would never have been born, and could not live, without the churches as parents. The church emphasis is the New Testament emphasis. That is where we have tried to keep it, and that is where for our part, we shall keep it! "Christ loved the church." Eph. 5:25.

VI

From a letter recently sent to all Mississippi Baptist pastors from the state office enclosing several new tracts, and a third reprint on the tract THE WORD OF GOD ON STRONG DRINK by D. A. McCall, the following letter has come to his desk while he is away on an Alaskan mission trip. We quote this letter that all may see the "Fruits of the Spirit" in messages free to all who desire to read God's word in tract form. These tracts are a help to those who daily read their Bibles.—(Office Secretary.)

Dear Dr. McCall:

I have yours of May 23 at hand and appreciate your continued interest in our work. I have read with interest the tracts enclosed. I want to make an earnest request for a supply of your tract, "God's Word on Strong Drink." You were heard by many during your recent visit to our county with the church here. Men will hear "The Word." We need more authoritative tracts such as this one. I wonder if I could have 200 copies of this tract? I don't want to be selfish with your supply. I have Crusade Committees working in three of my four churches and I'll assure the distribution of at least this number. I could use an equal number of "It Isn't Fair" by Lawson H. Cooke. This is a timely word well presented. It will be widely read and will give blessings. Send all you can spare of this tract.

I have distributed with the aid of my committee many tracts this year and they are telling in the spiritual lives of our membership.

May He continue His richest blessings upon you and your help there in the office in this the greatest year in our history!

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WORTHY AND CHALLENGING GOALS FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

1. Every Mississippi Baptist Church contributing through the Cooperative Program.
2. A summer assembly.
3. A full-time worker with the Negroes.
4. A Sunday school, a Training Union, a Woman's Missionary Union and a Brotherhood in every church.
5. A full-time Indian worker.
6. A Baptist Building in Jackson.
7. More associational missionaries.
8. Enlarged soldier work.
9. The Baptist Record in every home.

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THE LIBERTY FOR WHICH OUR SONS FIGHT AND DIE

Victory in Europe brought defeat in the United States. With what seemed unnecessary haste, War Mobilizer Fred M. Vinson, lifted the ban on horse racing and the curfew law. And the latest defeat for better living and victory for drunkenness is the announcement of another liquor holiday.

We watched in vain for notice that the ban on religious conventions had been lifted.

Widespread food shortages are reported, but the whiskey barons must be appeased. They must be permitted to make more poison to kill more people. The saloon and night club operators must be allowed more time to sell whiskey. The racing interests must be given the opportunity to foster gambling.

But a religious crowd (the Southern Baptist Convention) is denied a permit to meet although its purpose is to help, not to hurt; to improve not to destroy; to ad-

vance not to recede; to promote God's work not the devil's; and to build up, not to tear down.

More gas and transportation will be used in one day on the various race tracks than by all the messengers who would have attended the Southern Baptist Convention. And one session of the Southern Baptist Convention will do more good than all the whiskey, night clubs and race tracks ever have done or ever will do.

We want to be patriotic and have tried to support our government in the war effort, but it doesn't help our morale to see the government being more lenient with liquor and racing than with religion.

We believe we speak for Mississippi Baptists when we say that we are more than willing to take our share of privations and restrictions along with other institutions and organizations. But Baptists as well as all other Christians have a RIGHT to be incensed when drinking, racing and gambling interests seem to have higher privileges and better treatment than Christian organizations.

IN OTHER WORDS BAPTISTS ARE ENTITLED TO AS GOOD TREATMENT AS DRINKERS, DOGS, HORSES OR GAMBLERS.

RESOLUTIONS DEPLORE LIQUOR HOLIDAY

The Executive Committee of the Anti-Saloon League of America has adopted resolutions addressed to President Truman protesting another liquor holiday. Signed by Chairman Ralph S. Cushman and Secretary Clayton M. Wallace, the statement pledges support for all wise and practical measures and continues:

We deplore the action of J. A. Krug, chairman of the War Production Board, in announcing a holiday from the war effort for the distilling industry to replenish its stocks. This assures a non-essential and harmful traffic an unfair head start over essential enterprises in the production of goods. Whisky, that debauches human lives, weakens morals, and undermines the health of our citizens, is thus made available, while the manufacture and sale to civilians of many essential commodities is still prohibited under the war powers of the President.

Surely, the "Go" sign should be given useful enterprises before a non-essential trade is allowed to waste fuel, transportation facilities, grain and manpower.

May we add our protest to that of the Executive Committee of the Anti-Saloon League. It is a sad day in any land when whisky takes precedence over welfare. If anybody is to have a holiday what about manufacturers who produce essential goods?

One excuse offered for the liquor holiday is the fact that the supply of alcohol for war purposes is sufficient for some time to come. But what about the coal used by the whisky mills (murder fac-

tories), the transportation, the grain, the manpower?

Every day we are asked not to travel because of the railroad congestion. It is going to take transportation facilities to move both the raw materials for the whisky and the finished product.

Our papers are full of appeals for workers. Yet our government puts its blessing on using workers for making something that is not only non-essential, but something that will lower the efficiency of those who are engaged in essential work.

More transportation will be required for one whisky plant during the holiday than would have been used by all the messengers to the cancelled Southern Baptist Convention.

There is no justification for the liquor holiday. It is a sad day in any land when whisky takes precedence over righteousness; and when the followers of Bacchus are more influential than the followers of Christ.

Consistency?

According to Religious News Service archbishops and bishops of the Administrative Board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference have issued a statement urging the San Francisco Conference to adopt resolutions guaranteeing civil rights and religious liberty to the peoples of all countries.

Signed by seven archbishops and three bishops, the statement said:

"In all history, and particularly in modern history, dangers to world peace have come from the unjust treatment of minorities, the denial of civil and religious liberties and other infringements on the inborn rights of men. To remove these dangers, the nations should adopt an International Bill of Rights in which men and groups everywhere would be guaranteed the full enjoyment of their human rights."

The above is the plea of the Catholics. Below we print a short article which recently appeared in the Christian Century. The article below is the practice of the Catholics where they are in the majority.

"The future of your children and your country is in danger: fight against Protestantism." This and similar slogans, printed on small labels, have been pasted in bus and streetcar windows and in other public places, as part of the anti-Protestant campaign sponsored and conducted by the Roman Catholic church. But the campaign in general has been soft-pedaled of late, either because violent and outspoken methods have proved so ineffective that the

whole tactical plan is being revised, or because the Roman Catholic hierarchy has been advised that it would not be proper to reveal under the very nose of the Inter-American Conference that one of the Four Freedoms—that of worship—is being tampered with right here in Mexico in such a virulent manner. Although the most violent phase of the outburst seems to have receded, acts of physical violence against Protestants have not altogether ceased. On Jan. 21, in Concepcion Enyege, a village in the state of Mexico, a group of fanatics headed by one Esteban Hernandez stoned Lazaro Hernandez, a Protestant minister, and three of his church members. Mr. Hernandez, whose head was badly bruised, was taken to a hospital in Mexico City. There is little hope of his recovery."

We believe in practicing what we preach.

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GO THOU AND DO LIKEWISE

From the Biblical Recorder (North Carolina Baptist paper) we learn that a graduate of Wake Forest (North Carolina Baptist College) has sent a check for \$1,000 to purchase books to be added to the college library. This is to be in memory of his wife.

The Biblical Recorder news item follows:

A check for \$1,000 came to Wake Forest College recently from Dr. Charles G. Smith, Wake Forest graduate in 1913 and English professor at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, to start a collection of books in the Wake Forest library in honor of his wife, Cornelia Marshall Smith. Dr. Smith is a native of Chatham county.

"I plan to make it \$2,000 within the next two or three years," Dr. Smith wrote President Thurman Kitchin. "It is a source of true satisfaction to see Wake Forest forging ahead under your inspiring and able leadership."

Some Mississippian should learn from a Tar Heel.

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MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- June 11—Mrs. J. L. Summer, Clarke College Trustee.
- June 12—Dr. R. B. Gunter, Trustee Baptist Foundation.
- June 13—Rev. R. M. Dukes, Committee on Aged Ministers.
- June 14—Mrs. O. T. Robinson, W. M. U. Training School Trustee.
- June 15—Mrs. David E. Guyton of Blue Mountain College Faculty.
- June 16—Dr. G. E. Wiley, Grenada Convention Board Member.
- June 17—Rev. G. S. Jenkins, George County Convention Board Member.

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A clinical training program has been inaugurated at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, in keeping with modern trends in theological education. Under this program interested students visit local hospitals and other institutions under the direction of a trained adviser to study the needs of patients and inmates as they can be met by the ministry of the gospel. Along with this, the students attend lectures and do research work in the library to match their practical skills with an understanding of the theory of clinical work.

SEMINARY PRESIDENT DIES

H. E. Dana, president of Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas, since 1938, passed away on Thursday morning, May 17. On May 7, he had collapsed in his home on the campus, and was taken to St. Margaret's Hospital. Later the physician reported that his heart was involved, but it was believed and hoped that he would recover. His daughter, Mrs. L. J. Hawkins, and his sister, Mrs. Ethel Ethridge, were with him constantly until the end came.

The shock to the seminary is great, and all the more so since it came on graduation day, and the day for the annual meeting of the Seminary Board. Yet quietly the scheduled program for the day proceeded, as all of us knew he would have desired.

Funeral services were conducted in the seminary chapel, the speaker being Dr. W. T. Conner of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. Interment was in Highland Park Cemetery near the seminary in Kansas City, Kansas. Among those surviving, in addition to the daughter and sister mentioned above, are his widow, Tommy P. Dana; another daughter, Mrs. J. R. Branton and her two children; a sister, Mrs. J. N. Miller, and a brother, Charles Dana.

Harvey Eugene Dana was born June 21, 1888, near Vicksburg, Mississippi. He received the degree of Th.B. from Mississippi College in 1911, and of A. B. in 1919. His theological preparation was made in Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, where he was a student instructor during his last year's study. From that seminary he received the degree of Th.M. and Th.D., and later the degree of L.L.D. from Ottawa University. He also did post-graduate work in the University of Dubuque and in the University of Chicago. He was professor of New Testament Greek, and then head of the Department of New Testament Interpretation in Southwestern Baptist Seminary until 1938. He was the author of many books, which are in great demand as textbooks in seminaries.

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**MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE B. S. U.
INSTALLS OFFICERS**

Clinton, Miss., May 24—Miss Mary White Nelson, daughter of President and Mrs. D. M. Nelson, has been elected president of the Mississippi College B. S. U., succeeding Billie Stogner of Tylertown, who has served for the past year. The installation of the new officers took place at a banquet in the Jennings dining hall with Chaplain James Sutherland acting as toastmaster, and Rev. Chester Quarles of Leland as the speaker.

Jean Furr of Tylertown, Rachael Waggener of Jackson and Helen Armstrong of Georgetown were elected vice presidents. David Mayhall of Cleveland was made secretary and William Miller of West, treasurer. Benny Loyd is to continue as student secretary. Other members of the council are Margaret Bibb, Drew; Agnes Mathews, Tuskegee, Ala.; Melvin Jackson, Wesson; Ernestine Cooper, Morton; Joe Causey, Port Gibson; Jean Parker, Jackson; Hugh Shankle, Charleston; Joe Stovall, Clinton, and Virginia Eaton, Clinton. Dr. S. E. Cranfill is faculty advisor.

A microfilm reader was presented to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for its library by the graduating class of 1945. Money for the purchase of the reader was presented to Dr. Leo T. Crismon, librarian, by class President Norman Shands, Georgia, at the class commencement breakfast.

The Baptist Record would like to secure a copy of the books "Dorothy Page" and "The Deacon's Daughter." We will be glad to buy them or borrow them. Anyone having copies of either book please notify Editor A. L. Goodrich, Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi.

Shuqualak: Mr. Roy Duncan and Mr. Frank Prince were ordained to the office of deacon here in a most impressive ordination service Wednesday night, May 30. Rev. R. D. Pearson, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Macon, brought the charge. The church now has a total of ten deacons. —Reporter.

June Christian Education Month

We are happy to present some brief statements regarding Christian Education in different spheres as written by some State and Southwide leaders.

BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE

Duke K. McCall, President

The Baptist Bible Institute has been called the "School of Providence and Prayer." It is an educational institution with an abiding atmosphere of devotion. Study through textbooks and lectures is supplemented by actual field experience, whereby the student learns to do by doing. Thus, the individual whom God's providence has set apart for divine service is not only a student, but a missionary while training in the Baptist Bible Institute.

Through the halls of the Baptist Bible Institute, two thousand students, from thirty-one states and sixteen foreign countries, have passed. These men and women have come from every walk of life, from every type of personal and family background, with all degrees of academic attainment. In the Baptist Bible Institute, they have taken courses adapted to their previous training and experience and to the

particular field in which they feel called to serve. This training has included the standard theological course leading to professional theological degrees for ministers and missionaries with proper college preparation. It has also included English Bible courses for those who were not prepared to handle the foreign languages and other advanced subjects.

Special instruction has been provided for those desiring to enter the field of Religious Education as educational secretaries, ministers of religious education, or teaching. The Missionary Education course has prepared home and foreign missionaries, including those who desire to work in such institutions as the good will centers. Those who have had some training in the field of music and whose talent has been called into divine service have been trained in the Music Department.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Ellis A. Fuller, President

When we use the expression "Christian Education," we must not jump at the conclusion that the truth is one thing when taught in a secular school and an entirely different thing when taught in a Christian institution. In other words, mathematics in a state college is exactly what it is in a church affiliated institution of learning.

This leads to the inescapable conclusion that Christian education is primarily education which is given to Christians. The difference is not found in the subject matter prior to its reception by some individual but it is found in the individual to whom the truth is imparted. This is an exceedingly important distinction. It simply means that there is no Christian education apart from Christians.

The real value of education is determined by the character of the people who receive it. A person who is bent upon evil will use his acquired knowledge to ends which are detrimental to himself and to human society. On the other hand, education which is acquired by a regenerated person, one who is a new

creation in Christ Jesus, becomes to him an instrument unto righteousness.

We err greatly in believing that Christian education is inevitable if the truth is taught on a campus and in buildings which are constructed and maintained by a Christian group. A Christian educational institution is one in which the teachers and the students are Christians.

This appraisal is the background against which I would place the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Its faculty members are Christians; its students are Christians; the content of the truth which the faculty impart to the students is thoroughly Christian because it is truth which God revealed through Christ. The sciences and the arts of a liberal college are not taught at the Seminary. But the knowledge which the student has acquired in these fields prior to coming to the Seminary is interpreted by the Seminary in the light of the revealed truth of God through Christ. For that reason, it is reasonable to conclude that the Seminary is unquestionably an institution which is committed solely to Christian education.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY

E. D. Head, President

Southwestern Seminary not only embodies the spirit and methods essential to the very life of Christian education, but it also turns an ever-enriching stream of trained leadership into the channels of Christian service, both at home and in the fields afar.

This fact is revealed in the firmly established setup so characteristic of the institution itself, namely, the three schools—the School of Theology, the School of Religious Education, the School of Sacred Music. This comprehensive arrangement, vindicated by thirty years of experience, makes possible a program of training for workers in every sphere of Christian service—pastors, teachers, ministers of education, gospel singers, missionaries, church secretaries, and numerous other phases of ministry demanded by the modern church.

The secret of keeping Christian education Christian is a body of scholarly and consecrated teachers who are Christ-centered and mastered. This we have in the twenty-five teachers serving the three schools. At the center of the Seminary is the "Chair

of Fire," the department of evangelism as Dr. B. H. Carroll, the founder and first president, described it. However, all our teachers are committed to the evangelistic emphasis and passion, believing that true scholarship and evangelism are in perfect accord.

The actual output in trained men and women, however, is the most convincing proof of the power of the principles of Christian education in Southwestern Seminary. When we venture to itemize this rich yield we find 1,650 pastors and 298 missionaries from our halls of instruction. We have in the armed forces now a total of 506, and of this number 395 are chaplains. Seventy-four executives from Southwestern are connected with our southwide institutions, and there are 140 educational workers in the various churches. To add only one more item from many, we find 84 district, associational, city, rural and church missionaries.

This Seminary is unreservedly committed to the Bible as God's word, the crucified Christ as the only Redeemed, the Great Commission as our "marching orders."

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Harrisburg Y. W. A. During Focus Week

HARRISBURG YWA

Y. W. A. Focus Week with the Marie Anderson Y. W. A. of our church was an inspirational long-to-be-remembered one.

We began the week by presenting Y. W. A. to the W. M. S. on Monday afternoon. That night we held our regular meeting (weekly, by the way).

Tuesday, each girl brought a dish for supper at the pastorium. Such fellowship and food you've never seen the like. We had planned to study a stewardship book afterward but were glad to cancel it and attend V-E services at the church.

Wednesday, the Y. W. A. presented the pageant, "O Zion Haste," at prayer meeting. Many people said that it was the prettiest, most inspiring thing that had ever been in the church. I'm glad that we have such a wonderful song for Y. W. A.

Thursday, we grasped the opportunity of celebrating the centennial which Y. W. A's will celebrate only "Once and Forever." We invited all who would to wear a nineteenth century costume. We had a large crowd and some very old costumes . . . some more than one hundred years old. To create the right atmosphere the pastorium was lighted by coal-oil lamps, while lanterns hung outdoors where old-fashioned games were played. Very old records were also played. Real "barber-shop" harmonizing was done on gay nineties songs while refreshments of gingerbread and punch were served by the W. M. S.

Friday climaxed our Focus Week with a mother-daughter banquet at the hotel with Miss Bettie Jane Watts, student at Blue Mountain bringing the message on "Harmonious Christian Living." The theme for the banquet was a musical one.

You can readily see why I am so delighted to be the counselor of such a group. For there was splendid co-operation for every activity of the week. I'm sure that our entire church was blessed by Focus Week. We have a lovely group of consecrated, talented young women.

Mrs. Winifred Moore, Counselor.

Four deacons were ordained at Pecan Grove church, Jones county, during the revival in May. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. D. W. Nix, who was the evangelist. Rev. S. E. Nix is the pastor.—Mrs. N. T. Herrington, clerk.



MISS GEORGIA MAE OGBURN
Santiago, Chile

Miss Ogburn, of Meridian, Miss., is home on her first furlough, having served five years as the directress of the W. M. U. Training School in Santiago. She came home by plane, in April. Miss Ogburn is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and the W. M. U. Training school in Louisville, Ky. She is to be in all of the Girls' Auxiliary and Young Woman's Auxiliary camps.

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B. S. VAUGHN

Vaughn Completes 27th Year

The first Sunday in June marks the twenty-seventh anniversary of Reverend Blanding S. Vaughn's pastorate at South Side in Meridian. A special program is being arranged in honor of him and the faithful service he has rendered during these years. Brother Vaughn is not only loved by the people of South Side community, but all who know him. His kind disposition and genuinely Christian personality have endeared him to the people of Meridian and vicinity.

Mrs. Vaughn has been active through the years in every phase of the church life, graciously giving of her time and talents to the upbuilding of the church and the community.

Grady Smith, a former member of South Side and now of Jackson, will bring the message on this occasion.

The first Sunday in June also marks the twelfth anniversary of the present church building, which was built without incurring any indebtedness. The financial program of the church is carried on by tithes and offerings altogether.

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MISS LILLIAN S. FORBES

Miss Lillian S. Forbes, greatly beloved Baptist leader and worker, passed to her heavenly reward a few days ago.

Miss Forbes was for many years the Elementary Sunday school secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Her work carried her into all the states of the South, and it was because of this work in the interest of children and the workers with children that she endeared herself to thousands of people over the Southland.

She gave of her many talents without stint to the work of helping children. She loved them devotedly and it was in their interest that she labored so efficiently for so many years. With her, nothing was too good for the children of our churches, and even of those with no church. She felt that in the teaching of the Bible to our children and boys and girls that the churches should provide the very best.

She was capable, consecrated, far-visioned, broad in her outlook, and possessed of a deep passion for such Bible teaching, living and service on the part of the officers and teachers of the elementary departments that would result in laying the best foundations for the right teaching and training of the children in the early years of their lives, and that would also be seen in their profession of Christ as they came to the days of Junior and Intermediate years.

In her going, we have lost a good friend, a faithful servant of Christ, and a genuine lover of children.

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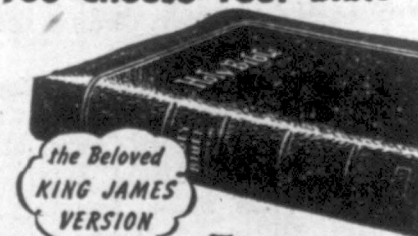
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Here and There

In making application for the standard award for the Young People's department at Cleveland, Mrs. Charles Treadway, the department superintendent, says, "In regard to the point about emphasizing Evangelism—we want you to know that of the 68 on our average roll, 23 of them have made professions of faith and united with the church during the last 18 months, and they are now among our most active workers in the department." This department is only two years old, or will be June 15, and yet it is standard. That's a record as far as we know.

Rev. Paul D. Boothe, pastor at Port Gibson, reports a Negro Vacation Bible school recently held there in the Negro Vocational school building, and put on by the Negroes under the supervision of Brother Boothe and some of his workers. It was a demonstration school for the purpose of helping those Negroes to know how to do the work as they go to their own churches. Brother Boothe reports that there will be at least six Negro Vacation Bible schools in and around that community this year as a result of that school. He states that the work of some of those people would be a credit to any school. That's mighty good work and more of it should be done.

Miss Mattie Mae Burkett, education director of the First Baptist Church of McComb, reports a great program of music with their Intermediates during April, with special training and programs, and then climaxing it with a great Intermediate Day. It was such a success that the plan is now to have an Associational Day soon and broadcast the program. Our Intermediates can and will do great things for us as we provide them the leadership and programs.

Mrs. J. H. Vick, Hopewell church, Yalobusha county, reported a great Vacation Bible school, May 7-11, the second one for their church. It is a small community and the workers few, yet they went right ahead and did the work themselves in a great way. She says, "I really believe in the Vacation Bible school and see the need of more of them. I feel sure that any church will find it possible and also a great benefit to have one."

New Attendance Records

We just keep hearing reports of new attendance records in various places. Such news is always welcome and it goes to show what a good program will accomplish.

The average Sunday school attendance at the First church, Gulfport, for April 1944 was 327. The average attendance for April 1945 was 543. This was an increase of 216. Mrs. N. H. Eudaly, their education director, says, "Yes, an enlargement campaign pays." And we say it surely does.

For the last ten Sundays before May 22, the attendance at Winona, Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, pastor, ran like this: 202, 236, 250, 240, 226, 227, 213, 262, 250. The goal is now 300. This is a great increase and one of the main reasons is several new classes.

Rev. C. A. Molpus of Belzoni states that they have averaged 250 over a six weeks period and reached a new

all-time record of 282. Their adults are contributing largely to this.

The First Baptist Church, Laurel, set another all-time high in Sunday school attendance on Sunday, May 20, with 766. The previous record attendance was 652 earlier this year.

We are grateful for any record of increased attendance. In times of stress and strain as people are experiencing these days we need the frequent coming together of our people for the study of the Bible. Good grading, thorough organization and a systematic and regular program of visitation and personal contact will go far in reaching additional people for Sunday school.

Sunday, June 17

Sunday morning, June 17, at 7:30, is the special Young People's program over the Baptist Hour broadcast. Dr. Ellis A. Fuller is the speaker. Doubtless many leaders of Young People will want to plan special breakfast meetings that morning so their pupils can listen to the program as a group. Dr. Fuller will have a special message for Young People that morning.

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Resolutions From Puckett

Whereas: The members of Puckett Baptist Church believe that all of our denominational agencies in Mississippi are doing a splendid work and that our Christian schools in general and Mississippi College in particular are making a worthwhile contribution to the cause of Christ.

Whereas: Certain letters, written under an assumed name with reference to Puckett which criticize Dr. D. M. Nelson and the administration of Mississippi College have been circulated over the state.

Whereas: We, the members of Puckett Baptist Church, are reasonably certain that the author of the aforementioned letters is not a member of our church or a citizen of our community.

Be it resolved: That we hereby voice our disapproval that the name of Puckett has been used to thus cause embarrassment on our part.

Be it also resolved: That we commend Dr. Nelson for his sterling traits of Christian character and that we pledge to him our prayers as he carries the burden of tremendous responsibilities of his office.

Be it further resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to The Baptist Record for publication and that a copy of the same be spread upon the minutes of this church.

Read and adopted by the Puckett Baptist Church in Rankin county, Mississippi, this twentieth day of May one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

Pastor: R. H. Fitzgerald,
Clerk: Mrs. Garron McLain,
Treasurer: Mrs. R. D. Miley,
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DAVID MAYHALL

Clinton Plans Recreation Program

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David Mayhall, veteran of World War II, has been secured as playground supervisor, and will have charge of the athletics with the help of Mrs. J. R. Hitt, Miss Elaine Young and Mrs. Pettigrew Warren who will direct the girls' games. Mr. Mayhall will be the general director of all the work. Some athletic equipment has been donated by W. E. Lyon and other material has been bought for the playground. Mr. Mayhall comes highly recommended, according to Prof. W. E. Strange, general chairman, and a summer of worthwhile vacation activities is anticipated by the young people of Clinton under his guidance. He served in the U. S. Navy until given a disability discharge. He then volunteered with the American Field Service and saw 16 months on the famous Burma road and in India, driving an ambulance with a British division. His experiences in India are many and interesting. He formerly attended Delta State College, where he was active in the work of the church at Cleveland and all worthwhile student activities.

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Mrs. Hugh Lee, clerk-treasurer of Macedonia church, Lebanon Association, has sent ten names to be added to the church list. They now have 33 Records going to their members.

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Radio Committee Reports Large Coverage

S. F. Lowe, Director, Atlanta

The fifth series of the Baptist Hour was broadcast January through March of this year over thirty-six stations covering the territory from the nation's capital to the states of the far southwest.

In that series the radio committee sought to have the programs make a contribution to the religious life of America and also to undergird the whole Centennial program of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The audience this year has been larger than in previous years as is revealed by the fan mail—43,000 pieces, or an average of 3,583 for each Sunday. This would indicate an average audience for each Sunday of 3,000,000, according to radio measurements.

The fan mail has come from all creeds and all colors. Pastors of other denominations have written in regularly.

A growing library of transcribed programs is being used widely. The library now contains transcribed programs with Drs. Truett, Dodd, Herring and Adams as the preachers. Soon there will be in the library a series with Drs. Tribble and Yates as preachers. During the past year 99 stations broadcast a total of 1,787 transcribed programs from the transcription library of the radio committee. A new service has been rendered during the year through transcriptions sent to the chaplains.

In response to the request of the the radio committee a total of nine Baptist broadcasts have been given on the national networks during the year ending April 1. Through surveys, conferences, correspondence and literature, your radio committee has sought to effect a wider use of the radio by State Baptist Conventions and by local groups over local stations.

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Mississippi College Students Available For Youth Revivals

Several groups of Mississippi College students are available this summer for Youth Revivals. The plan is for a team of four or five young people to go to a church for a week.

These groups or teams consist of a preacher, a song leader and two or three young women, who will present special features of the evening services.

The programs can be adapted to the needs of the individual churches.

All members of the team will do personal visitation and soul winning.

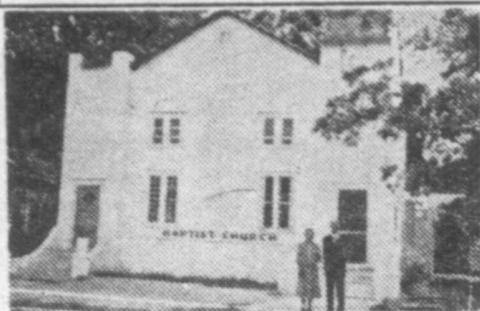
Although called "Youth Revivals," they are for the entire membership of the church, and have proved a great value to the adults as well as the young people.

The very highest type students are available for this work. The churches will be expected to provide entertainment and expenses of the workers. If you are interested in having a team or part of a team come to your church this summer, please contact as soon as possible, Rev. Benny Loyd, assistant pastor, or Dr. John Newport, pastor of the Clinton Baptist Church, Clinton, Miss.

—BR—

More than 2,200 patients were admitted into the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans during the month of April. The school of nursing now is receiving applications for the August class. Many Mississippi Baptist girls should go there.

PASS CHRISTIAN BEGINS FULL TIME PROGRAM



PASS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

General rejoicing is evident this week among the people at the First Baptist Church of Pass Christian as they enter into a period of full time service, with preaching every Sunday, under the leadership of Rev. W. S. Allen, pastor. This excellent progress is due to the fine cooperation and spirit of devotion on the part of the members and the minister. The church at Pass Christian has made a remarkable record, and one that any church might well be happy to possess.

An attractive pastor's home has been erected, situated in a beautiful grove of live oaks, festooned with the graceful Spanish moss. It stands behind the church, with a spacious lawn between. Pastor and Mrs. Allen are happy in the comfortable house made possible through the cooperation of many friends of the Baptists among other congregations as well as the loyalty of their fine members. The entire community seems proud of the addition of this lovely little home.

The church property has also been redecorated and made more modern. However, as Pastor Allen says, they are having "growing pains," for the present church is inadequate for the needs of this enlarging work. The future challenges the people with a vision of its needs.

Additions by letter and by baptism are regular occurrences, and the Pass Christian people have come to expect a spirit of perennial revival.

A week of joyful observance of the beginning of full time work was held June 3-June 10 with the following pastors helping: P. S. Dodge of Gulfport; G. C. Hodge of Biloxi; Warwick Aiken of Pass Christian, and H. T. Brookshire of Gulfport. Other Baptist workers shared with the plans, also.

Following his definite feeling that he should assume full time work at Pass Christian, and leave Bay St. Louis, where he has enjoyed a happy ministry, Pastor Allen gave the ensuing letter of resignation to the Bay St. Louis church, expressing his appreciation to that congregation which also went to full time June 1:

On January 1, 1929, we came to the pastorate of the Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis Baptist Churches with a very definite conviction that the Lord was leading us here. Other fields were open to us but it was laid on our heart that this was the field where God wanted us. At that time the Pass Christian church had just been organized. A church house had to be built and paid for. And here in Bay St. Louis the church had passed through a very trying period and the outlook was anything but encouraging. It was our hope and dream that a better location and a new building could be realized as one of our accomplishments for the Bay. But the great depression came. . . . At times it seemed that we would go under, but the Lord helped us through and the work went on. Just as the outlook was becoming a little brighter the great war broke upon our world. Several of our best families moved away and again we faced very difficult times.



PASS CHRISTIAN PARSONAGE

In recent months the outlook has again become brighter. . . .

Last fall when our churches were making up their budgets for 1945 and planning the work for the year the church in Pass Christian expressed a desire for fulltime work. But due to war conditions and the uncertainty of the future we suggested that we go on under our present arrangement for at least another year. This was agreed to with the understanding that any time we were ready the church was ready to go to fulltime. Then on the second Sunday in March the Pass Christian church again voted unanimously for fulltime work as soon as we could be free to go to fulltime work. The matter of the time was left entirely to the judgment of the pastor.

In view of this twice expressed desire of the Pass Christian church to go to fulltime with the present pastor as their fulltime pastor, and in view of the desire of the church here to enlarge its program, I have decided that it is wise and best for me to ask to be released from my obligation to this church as your pastor on May 31, so that we can begin fulltime work with Pass Christian on June 1.

4 B's Suggested Reader Sends Bonds

A Baptist Record reader who asks that she be known as "A Lady From Mississippi" suggests that childless couples and couples with small children buy bonds during June and give the bonds to the Seminary at Louisville to be used in erecting a baby's building. Her letter follows:

Dear Brother Goodrich:

When I saw the pictures of the proposed and hoped for buildings at the Southern Baptist Seminary and Dr. Fuller's article, it gave me an inspiration to start a fund in memory of our only two children whom God took very early in babyhood. In our recent bond drive I bought two \$25 bonds out of the money I had saved from the sale of waste paper, scrap iron, fats, rags and old broom handles as well as nickels and pennies saved because we have no little ones to eat ice cream cones and all day suckers.

There are many couples at the Seminary that would appreciate a place to leave a baby with a good care-taker while they attend Seminary classes.

Let's call it the 4 B's Buy a Bond for Babies' Building. I suggest that all who have children under six years of age buy a bond while the drive is on.

—BR—

The Sunday School Study Course for Beaumont church will be held during the week of June 10.



MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL

DID YOU KNOW:

- THAT the Mississippi Baptist Hospital, located on the highest peak in Jackson, is Mississippi's largest hospital?
- THAT it is approved by
 - The American Hospital Association
 - The American College of Surgeons
 - The American Medical Association
 - The Mississippi Hospital Association?
- THAT its six buildings with equipment and furnishings are valued at \$656,056.83?
- THAT 8,998 patients were admitted to the hospital in 1944?
- THAT 165 patients was our daily average?
- THAT 20 doctors serve this home front daily and 28 of the Staff are with the armed forces?
- THAT 897 babies were born in your hospital last year?
- THAT 160 graduate and student nurses are on duty every day?
- THAT 265 total personnel are ministering to the sick and suffering who seek aid here daily?
- THAT an average of \$51,261.21 was given in charity and free service per year for the last five years?
- THAT 61 of our nurses are in the service of their Country?
- THAT your hospital cares for the patients from the "Old Ladies' Home," "The Old Men's Home," and the Orphanages of Jackson without charge.
- THAT every member of the Board of Trustees and every employee of the Hospital are deeply grateful to the Baptist and all other friends of every other faith, who responded so generously to the campaign for raising the necessary funds to add another one hundred beds to our hospital.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for June 10

THE MINISTRY OF JESUS

Bible Lesson: All Four Gospels

The gospels. Two of them, Matthew and John, were written by disciples of our Lord. Matthew was a publican, a tax-collector. John was a fisherman. Mark was written by John Mark, a young man who appears in the book of Acts, and some of Paul's epistles. Mark is never certainly referred to in any one of the gospels, whence I think it may be assumed that he was not a disciple of Jesus while He was on earth. The greatest scholar of them all was Luke, a cultured physician, a companion of Paul. Luke wrote the gospel and the book of Acts, and is thus the most voluminous of the New Testament writers.

The scholarship of the world is in almost complete agreement that Mark wrote first and John last, some 60 years after our Lord's return to heaven. The date of Mark's gospel has been placed as early as 40 A. D., which would make its composition take place less than 15 years after our Lord's ascension. At any rate, it is generally agreed that all the gospels were written within 60 years of the death of our Lord.

Mark wrote for the whole world, especially the Roman world of his day. His purpose seems to have been to set before these efficient, active people the ideal man, ideal in action, an ideal servant of the Most High, and the Son of God.

Matthew wrote for the Jews with the object of proving that Jesus of Nazareth was the promised King and Redeemer pictured in the words of the prophets.

Luke wrote for the Greeks, the lovers of the perfect, the beautiful, the symmetrical. So Christ is set forth as the perfect Man, in His birth, in all His relationships to God and men.

John says (John 20:31), "These" (words) "are written, that ye may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing, ye may have life in His name."

I. The Text Jesus Preached. Mark 1:14, 15.

Read it. It says that after John the Baptist was imprisoned, Jesus came preaching, and this is what He preached: Two Prerequisites and Two Essential Conditions of Salvation.

1. The Time is Fulfilled. God had been getting the world ready, as was His purpose to do. Through the long years the plan of God was matured. Now the time is fulfilled that the kingdom of God should appear in the person of its King.

2. The Kingdom of God is at Hand. Here is Jesus offering the world the Kingdom of God. The kingdom is near you now.

3. Repent ye. Change your mind as to what the highest good of man is. You have been thinking it consisted of each man's taking thought for himself, and of currying favor with the rulers of this world. But that is all wrong. Maybe you have thought you were good enough without any help from God, or that you could save yourself from sin. Maybe you have thought the world not so bad, or that it was too bad. You may have been thinking that sin is a trifling thing,

that it is too much for even God. Change your mind sinward, selfward, worldward, Godward. Turn in your thinking from everything else in the world to Jesus of Nazareth only as your personal Savior, and the Savior, personal Savior of all who trust in Him.

4. Believe the Gospel. Is not simply an intellectual exercise; believe it practically. It is the gospel, the good news. What good news? There may be good news of a thousand varieties. It would be good news to you to hear that the boy or brother or husband or friend away at one of the fighting fronts had landed on the home shores and would soon be home to see you. But the good news meant in the gospel is that the Savior has come to bring the blessings of God's salvation to sin-wrecked men, that the Savior has come with healing for the hurts of the heart of humanity. That is the gospel. Believe it, and that means receive it for yourself.

That was the gospel then, when our Lord was here. We must not forget

The Executive Committee of the of the Southern Baptist Convention will hold its regular semi-annual meeting in Nashville Wednesday and Thursday, June 13-14. The Southern Baptist Editors Association will hold its semi-annual meeting in Nashville at the same time. The heads of all the Convention agencies and many of the state secretaries are also expected to be present. This will constitute a pretty good cross section of the Southern Baptist Convention.

that all the gospel was here with Him. He came to do everything that needed to be done to save a ruined world from sin and death. His was a praying ministry, because it was through this channel that He received power in which to work the works of His Father. His was a healing ministry, because it was through this means that He illustrated the character of His work; but do not for a moment forget that His was a preaching ministry, and that primarily.

LAMBERT PASTOR RESIGNS

Rev R. W. Porter for eight years pastor at Lambert and Sledge has resigned in order to become full-time pastor at Collierville, Tennessee. He succeeds Rev. H. J. Rushing, who recently became pastor of West Laurel church.

The Lambert membership has grown from 120 to 275. There have been 252 additions, 108 by baptism. Contributions for missions and benevolences have increased from \$57 in 1937 to \$981 in 1944. A pastor's home, modern in every detail, has been paid for and the pastor's salary increased three times. Additional Sunday school rooms have been constructed and a butane gas system installed.

At Sledge there have been 70 additions, 28 by baptism, missions and benevolence contributions increased from \$13 to \$923, the church redecorated, and a butane gas system installed.

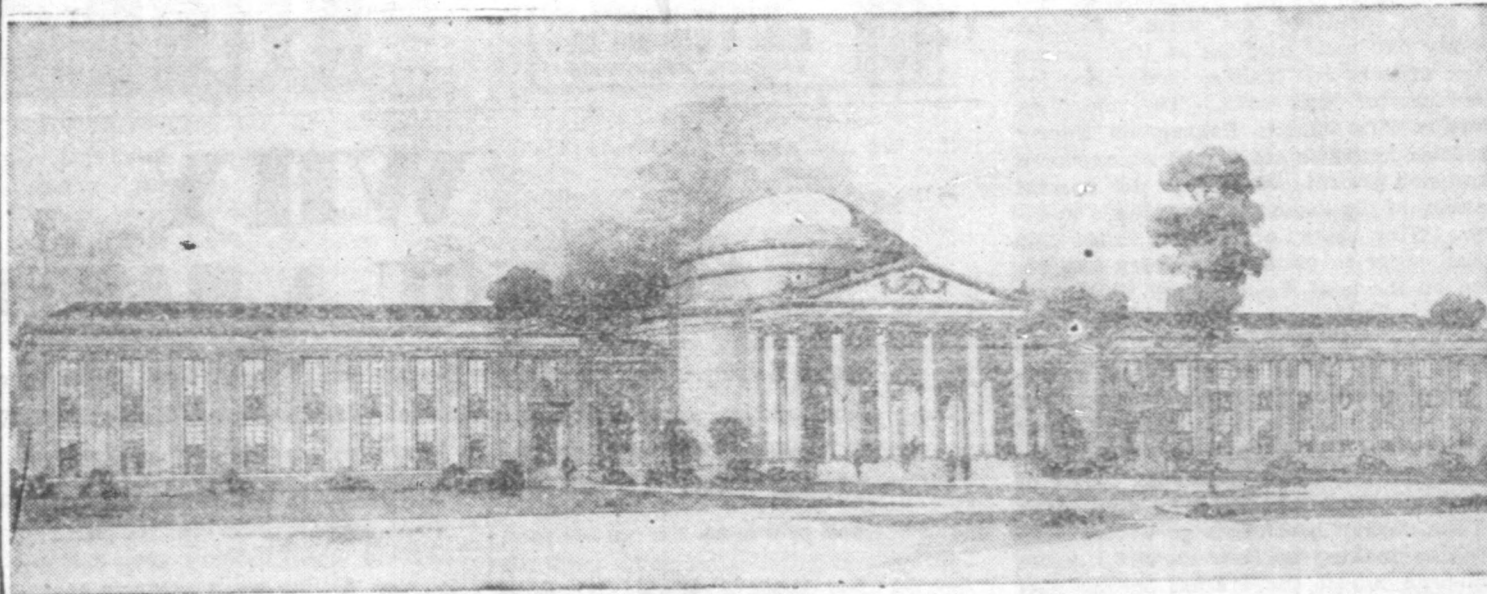


Dr. L. R. Scarborough

LET US FULFILL HIS DREAM - - -

DR. SCARBOROUGH SAID, "Surely, it is God's Will for this Seminary to be enlarged and its needs provided. Surely, in the unfolding days ahead it will become man's will and the funds will be provided. I should like to see it done while I live; and if not while I live, in a little while after I take up my residence in heaven."

From his book, A MODERN SCHOOL OF PROPHETS.



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Associational Pastors Organize For Efficiency

On Tuesday, May 29, four associational pastors along with several other pastors and others met for an all day program in the interest of working out some plans that will give them something of a common program of procedure for promoting their work. The meeting was held in the Philadelphia church. Dr. Gaines Dobbins of Louisville, Prof. Plunkett Martin of New Orleans, and Auber J. Wilds of Oxford were invited guest speakers. The discussions were all of a very practical nature and those present felt it was a most profitable meeting. It seemed to be the opinion of those present that the task was to magnify Christ and the Bible, working with and through the already established organizations we have in the churches and associations. It was agreed that what was working well in one church could work in the other churches. If one church could have, with profit, a Sunday school, Training Union, W. M. U., Brotherhood, effective financial program, climaxing in an effective evangelism, all other churches in time could be led to adopt and promote a like program. It seemed to those present that Mississippi Baptists are heading for a greater day as they employ these associational pastors (promotional or educational directors) who will give themselves to the task of helping churches to discover their possibilities, and leading them into a program that shall make for spiritual progress and happiness. Plans were started to have a meeting later that will be on a larger scale to which it is hoped every one of these associational pastors and other field workers will come. We commend these associational pastors to our Training Union directors. They will be good allies helping you in your program, and in turn you will be of untold value to them in helping them carry out their programs.

Already several of our associations have had the special Executive Committee meeting. It was the pleasure of your state secretary to preside at two of these meetings last week. Jackson county had their meeting an hour before their officers and leaders conference for the quarter was held. The meetings were in First church, Pascagoula. Surely no finer response could ever be expected than was given to the call for this special session of the executive committee meeting. The room overflowed, and they were eager to underwrite every suggestion on the goal sheet. Again in Wayne county a loyal group met at Waynesboro, and they too enthusiastically voted to adopt each of the ten goals, and in addition added one that was to the effect they would make a more definite effort to have EVERY church represented in their quarterly mass meetings. Most of these meetings will be held next week as the district presidents go to the associations making up their district. Again we urge fullest cooperation on the part of every associational officer, Training Union leader, and pastor.

Our Theme for June is "The Responsibility of the Individual" (individual accountability), Luke 12:48b. Subjects to be discussed in the weekly meetings are: Each One is Accountable to God; Each One is His Brother's Keeper; Each One is Responsible to Society; A Century of Achievement in Christian Education. Join us in the discussion of these vital subjects.

What's keeping your union from being standard? Is it YOU?

Kreole Observes Adult Week
 The week of May 20-25 was a special

week at Kreole Baptist Church. The Adult Union came in special session every night and thought together through some B. A. U. methods. Your state secretary spent a most enjoyable week (no he didn't go fishing) with this splendid organization. The B. A. U. Manual was the basis of the discussions each evening. Rev. W. W. Kyzar, pastor; Miss Hazel Graff, director, and Mrs. Odie Wells, president, were right in their place every night setting the example for the other members and visitors. Brother Brock of First church, Moss Point, came each night bringing several others from his adult union with him. Surely we have had no finer cooperation than we had here. Just another demonstration of the value of the Adult Union and the progress it is making from coast to coast.

Would it be practical to "grade" the members of the church, like: Grade A, Grade B, Grade C, etc. I do not know how many letters we might have to employ. Well, I'd want to be an "A" member if we did that, wouldn't you?

East McComb Reporting

Rev. H. P. Porter of East McComb church reporting on their recent study course, says in part—"There were thirty-six (36) Story Hour boys and girls who deserve some mention as well as the faithful leaders for the Story Hour Department. This was the greatest study course in attendance and spirit I have ever witnessed. The Lord showered His blessings on us. We had a wonderful faculty, and an average attendance of 217 for the five nights." We rejoice with you, Brother Porter, in the splendid results of this week's work.

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Spirit Of: Tolerance? Charity? Christ?

By C. Earl Cooper

Pastor of Georgetown Baptist Church

In reminding the State Department of the principle of the "freedom of religion," is it not possible to speak without claim to numerical power? Should Baptists thrust Senator Tom Connally with the keen knife of Baptist statistics as they exist in the state of Texas? Should Baptists put the pressure of power-politics (five million Southern Baptists) on the government for their rightful place in the sun? Should Baptists bombard their own constituency with anti-Catholic propaganda? Is it possible that a personal representative of the President is as essential in the Vatican for political reasons as a Baptist minister is essential in a Baptist community for the purposes of putting over a Red Cross campaign?

Do the high-ranking members of our denomination have an inferiority complex about themselves? Do not we as Baptists have dignity as a denomination?

Is it possible that Baptists have to some degree been "taken in" by the group-pressure psychology and power-politics? Though Baptists have the right to demand their rights, is it always expedient? Much is accomplished in the religious realm by the same tactics, but it is possible to over-do it. The power of religion is love. Is it not possible to have a

Lake Church Breaks S. S. Attendance Record

All Sunday school attendance records were broken here the past Sunday. We were one hundred per cent in attendance. Every member enrolled was present and several new members were enrolled. Old timers say that this was the largest crowd every seen at a regular service at Lake.

Plans are under way for the remodeling of both the church and the parsonage.

We have received fifteen new members in the last month, fourteen for baptism.

There has been an average of thirty thus far in our mid-week prayer service.—Reporter.

—BR—

Nineteen were baptized on May 27 in a joint service for Goss and Society Hill churches. Five others are awaiting baptism.—M. Glenn Smith, pastor.

right, and thereby to lose the very right itself by demanding it?

Baptists may know that—in the main—they have the spirit of tolerance, the spirit of charity, yes the spirit of Christ, but is it not psychologically wise, spiritually good, practically sound to appear to have that spirit?

Baptists, as champions of freedom of religion, should continue to raise their voices against prejudice, envy, wrongly use power-politics, monopoly, and a lack of Christ in religion.

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Significant Facts About Mississippi College

Clinton, Miss.
Questions and Answers
J. A. Travis

(Continued from Last Week)

17. Q. What Christian organizations exist on the Mississippi College campus?
- A. (1) Regular organizations of Clinton Baptist Church.
(2) Noonday prayer group.
(3) Student volunteer groups.
(4) Ministerial Association.
(5) The Baptist Student Union.
18. Q. What are the offerings at Mississippi College for young women interested in Christian service?
- A. Business administration and excellent courses in Bible and religious education, psychology, sociology and music.
19. Q. When did Mississippi College become co-educational?
- A. Mississippi College was founded in 1826 as a co-educational institution with male and female departments. The first class to graduate was a group of young women in 1834. Soon after coming under Baptist control in 1850 a separate institution for women, Central Female Institute, was established in Clinton. This institution later became Hillman College which operated as a four-year college, and later became a junior college. Hillman College was absorbed by Mississippi College in 1942. The merger does not conflict, in any way, with the charter under which Mississippi College was founded and continues to operate. For the past twenty years women have been graduated from Mississippi College annually in increasing numbers.
20. Q. What are the advantages of having both young men and young women at Mississippi College?
- A. (1) The social life is enriched, attractive and helpful. Young women have opportunities to get acquainted with a choice group of young men and to have dates with them under proper conditions.
(2) The young women learn to know personally young prospective leaders in church and state.
(3) The young women are privileged to become acquainted with our present denominational workers. Many of these leaders now live in Clinton.
(4) Young men profit by the refining influences of young women.
(5) Many loyal Baptist people want to send their daughters along with their sons to Mississippi College.
21. Q. What provision has been made for housing women students at Mississippi College?
- A. In addition to the dormitories and brick cottages on the Hillman campus, Jennings Hall, a three-story brick building, will accommodate 125 girls. The rooms are in suites, and there is a bath room in each suite. When the present repairs are completed, it will be modern in every respect.
22. Q. What is the present enrollment at Mississippi College?
- A. The present enrollment for the current year at Mississippi College, covering the period from the beginning of the year, July 1, 1944, to date (May 15, 1945) is as follows:
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| Navy V-12 students | 375 |
| Civilian men | 132 |
| Women | 155 |
| Total | 655 |

Davis Leads New Albany Church



J. R. DAVIS

The average pre-war enrollment at Mississippi College over a period of fifteen years for the nine-month session, not counting summer terms, was as follows:

Men	398
Women	38
Total	436

23. Q. Why should students interested in earning the high professions attend Mississippi College?
- A. Because the professions of law, medicine, engineering, ministry, teaching, and others of like rank, require a background of liberal education in order to attain the highest efficiency in the chosen profession. Mississippi College offers this cultural background plus the technical training necessary for the first two or three years, and this accomplished in a distinctly Christian atmosphere.
24. Q. What type of athletic program will Mississippi College have in the future?
- A. Mississippi College stands unequivocally for maximum development of the individual—physically, mentally, and spiritually, with major emphasis upon spiritual values. The college seeks to provide wholesome recreation for all students. To this end a commodious gymnasium, modern athletic fields, tennis courts, and ground for other sports have been provided. Although war conditions have curtailed many activities, when these conditions return to normal, Mississippi College will meet successfully every challenge which conditions at that time justify for a program of all-round development—physically, mentally, and spiritually. By resolution of the Board of Trustees, due to war conditions, football was discontinued for the duration. It is the policy of the Board of Trustees to resume participation in intercollegiate athletics, including football, as soon as conditions will permit.
25. Q. What is the attitude of the people of Clinton in regard to the Enlargement Program?
- A. The people of Clinton are whole-hearted, enthusiastic and responsive to every need of Mississippi College. Clinton, with less than five hundred white people, none of whom is wealthy, has already subscribed approximately sixteen thousand dollars to the Enlargement Campaign.

Rev. J. R. Davis has resigned as pastor of Oakland church, Roanoke, Virginia, in order to accept the leadership of the First church, New Albany.

A native of Mississippi, Rev. Davis was educated at Clarke College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. During student days he was pastor of the following Kemper county churches: DeKalb, Bluff Springs, West Kemper, Kelly's Store and Mt. Nelson.

During Seminary days he was pastor at Salvisa, Kentucky, going from there to Oakland church, Roanoke, Virginia.

Mr. Davis succeeds Rev. A. B. Pierce, who left the New Albany church on January 1 to become executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE June 3, 1945

	SS	BTU
Friendship, Pike county	166	123
Carmel	135	132
Rocky Creek, George county	88	55
Taylorsville	124	65
Houlka, Chickasaw county	77	47
Enon, Panola county	55	78
Crowder	162	143
Liberty	174	35
Bowmar Avenue, Vicksburg	154	87
Louisville	362	78
Moselle, Jones county	84	69
Steen's Creek	131	60
Hepzibah, Jeff Davis county	87	70
Ellison Ridge, Winston county	138	73
Agricola	92	67
Goodyear, Picayune	125	73
Hardy	80	14
Cross Roads, Webster county	52	
Wallerville	48	63
Crystal Springs	384	110
Brookhaven, First	423	91
Brewer, Richton	81	46
Vicksburg, First	470	139
Sardis, Neshoba county	104	
Laurel, First	482	
Parkway, Jackson	449	128
New Albany, First	448	149
Jackson, First	1,038	249
Jackson, Calvary	976	246
Jackson, Griffith	567	240
Wellman	60	75
Corinth, Pearl River county	40	20
May 27		
Liberty	149	39
Corinth, Pearl River county	61	23
Harrisburg	196	63
Lynn	135	110

—BR—

After thirty years of distinguished service in growing the School of Sacred Music of Southern Baptist Seminary, Dr. I. E. Reynolds has retired because of ill health. In the face of the illness against which he has struggled, Dr. Reynolds has shown a spirit of optimism and courage which has cheered us all. We are happy to announce that he is considerably improved, but we do not feel that we can ask him to continue under the heavy responsibility of directing the school. He is still able to serve our church music by lectures, conferences, etc., and will be happy to respond to calls from our brethren whenever they open the way for him.—E. D. Head, president.

—BR—

Young people's departments are urged to plan next Sunday to hold radio breakfasts on June 17 at 7:30 a. m. CWT. Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president of Louisville Seminary, will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour program.

BROTHERHOOD PROGRESS HAS BEEN PHENOMINAL

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ment well above one hundred thousand men.

During 1944, the Brotherhood of the South, in cooperation with associated Brotherhoods in the states, promoted a program of five objectives.

1. The Cooperative Program: While the Brotherhood has never claimed statistical credit in any field, it is believed that you cannot dissociate the substantial increase in Co-operative Program gifts from the special efforts which the Brotherhoods exerted in this area of our denominational life.

2. State Papers: In 1940, a goal of five hundred thousand aggregate circulation was set by our state papers. Again, we do not claim direct statistical credit, but we do say that the Brotherhood worked ceaselessly and vigorously for an increased circulation of our state papers, and that, before the end of the five-year period, the circulation had passed the half-million goal.

3. Worship Services: In proportion as there is a worshipping membership, there will be a great power through our churches and denomination.

This is clearly evident in the churches where there are active, functioning Brotherhoods.

4. Replacements: The men of our Brotherhoods have effectively filled many of the places left vacant in our churches by the young men who have entered the armed services.

5. Institutions: The Brotherhood has long realized that our institutions are not adequately financed. We can say with pardonable denominational pride that, directly as a result of activity in this field, most of our institutions have been freed from the burdensome debt, and that our schools, colleges, hospitals, orphanages and seminaries have had millions added to their endowments and for needed improvements and expansion.

—BR—

Co-Ordination Committee Explains Work

W. Morris Ford

Chairman, Jackson, Tenn.

Perhaps many people wonder how the various periodicals are able to carry so much timely denominational information. It is planned by a committee made up of representatives from every board and every denominational organization. Mission boards, seminaries, Baptist Student Union, Woman's Missionary Union and several others are represented.

This committee came into existence for the express purpose of presenting to the people a co-ordinated program of work. The best way to do this was soon found to be through our many publications. In April the quarterlies and magazines advertised the Centennial Thank Offering, Southwide Simultaneous Associational Training Union Day, Relief and Annuity Board and Sunday school training courses.

In May the emphasis is upon Christian Home Week, Hospital Day, W. M. U. annual meeting, and Southern Baptist Convention.

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NIGERIA NEEDS

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teacher is \$900; for a couple, \$1,800. Transportation to and from Nigeria, a \$100-allowance for tropical clothing, and housing accommodations for the period of the contract are provided by the Foreign Mission Board.

Qualified teachers—preferably under thirty-three years of age, with successful teaching experience and graduate degrees in English or Education from teachers' colleges or other standard schools, and good health records—may apply. Only those who can pass strenuous physical examinations given under the direction of the Board's medical adviser will be considered.

All who are interested may write: J. W. Marshall, Secretary, Department of Missionary Personnel, Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond 20, Virginia.

JUNE 24 IS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DAY

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tives, etc. We must have our own institutions to provide this special training: no other institutions are doing it, can do it, or ought to do it. We must have our own educational institutions or go out of business.

We must patronize and support these institutions. They must be as good as any and have a big plus. They must compete with tax supported and highly endowed institutions.

How: To make the most of Christian Education Day: (1) Appoint a committee to prepare a program for the Sunday school assembly (see articles in June Sunday School Builder). (2) Give information about the Baptist colleges in your state. (3) Give offering to help educate worthy, needy students. (4) Pastors preach appropriate sermon, and invite parents and young people to consult him relative to going to college or making a gift for Christian education.

"Our people must know if they grow and go and glow."

CORRECTION

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of the Cole Brothers that a department in Church Administration be fully endowed at Mississippi College. The income from their Foundation is to go for this purpose. Other persons may establish similar Foundations, Memorials, or make outright gifts that will help reach a total of at least \$100,000 for this purpose. That is the idea we had in mind when we stated that anyone might add to this Foundation.

Those interested in further information about this or any other opportunity for investing in the work of the Lord may write the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi.

MISSISSIPPIAN APPOINTED

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the nature of his duties has not been disclosed. He is a Presbyterian.

A Methodist, Chaplain Thomas has been chief of chaplains at the Naval Academy since 1933. Born in Rankin county, Mississippi, in 1892, he attended Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss., and later studied at the Chicago Theological Seminary. His first pastorate was at the Millsaps Memorial Methodist church South, in Jackson, and later he served at the Daleville, Miss., Methodist church before entering the navy in January, 1918.

MY FAVORITE SERMON

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they were baptized, exactly like the Lord Jesus was baptized, which is the way we Baptists baptize.

Baptism is not essential to salvation, but it is essential to church membership. A person cannot become a member of a Baptist church without baptism. There is not a Protestant church in the world where a person can be a member without having something called baptism. Roman Catholics and all Protestant denominations agree with Baptists that baptism is essential to membership in a church.

Immersion the Form

Baptists believe and teach that immersion is the form of baptism taught in the New Testament. Roman Catholics believe the same thing. In his book, "Faith of Our Fathers," page 277, James Cardinal Gibbons, archbishop of Baltimore, says, "For several centuries after the establishment of Christianity baptism was usually conferred by immersion; but since the twelfth century the practice of baptizing by infusion has prevailed in the Catholic church, as this manner is attended with less inconvenience than baptism by immersion." The Encyclopedia Britannica tells when and where the Roman Catholics substituted sprinkling for immersion. I quote: "The word 'baptize' is derived from the Greek 'baptizo,' which is the term used in the New Testament when the sacrament is described. The usual mode of performing the ceremony was by immersion. The Council of Ravenna, in 1311, was the first council of the church which legalized baptism by sprinkling, by leaving it to the choice of the officiating minister."

Did the Roman Catholics at the Council of Ravenna in 1311 have the authority to legalize sprinkling instead of immersion for baptism, which symbolizes the burial and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ? Every time a Protestant preacher substitutes sprinkling for immersion, he endorse what the Roman Catholics did at the Council of Ravenna, A. D. 1311. Baptists follow the New Testament and they accept only the immersion of believers in Christ as true baptism.

IF BAPTISM IS NECESSARY BEFORE ONE CAN BE A MEMBER OF A CHURCH, AND IF THERE IS ONLY ONE SCRIPTURAL WAY TO BAPTIZE, THEN ONLY THOSE PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED AS JESUS CHRIST WAS BAPTIZED ARE SCRIPTURALLY MEMBERS OF NEW TESTAMENT CHURCHES.

New Testament the Guide

We furthermore believe and teach that the New Testament is the only and sufficient rule of faith and practice for a New Testament church. "The New Testament is the only law of Christianity. The Old Testament is equally the word of God, but it was typical and is fulfilled in the New. It was the schoolmaster to lead us to Christ. Now we have Christ, who is the only law-giver and the only Lord of our conscience. . . . Creeds and decrees of councils have no binding authority. The believer in Christ has his supreme and absolute guide in the New Testament"—George Daniel. This tenet is the fundamental difference between Baptists and their friends of other denominations.

Some one will say immersion was practiced by Jesus, but he thinks the church has a right to change the mode of baptism. The Baptist's position as

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harmony, our Southern brethren quietly withdrew from the Triennial Convention in order to organize a convention of their own. Pursuant to a call from the Virginia brethren, 321 messengers representing the following states and District of Columbia met in Augusta May 8, and organized the Southern Baptist Convention: Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Kentucky. Florida, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee and Texas came in later.

The former president of the Triennial Convention, W. B. Johnson of South Carolina, was chosen the first president. The avowed purpose of the new organization was to "carry into effect the benevolent intention of our constituents by organizing a plan for eliciting, combining, and directing the energies of the denomination for the propagation of the gospel."

Two Boards Established

To that end, two boards were established at this meeting, the Foreign Mission Board, to be located at Richmond, Va., and the Domestic Mission Board, to be located at Marion, Ala. (now the Home Mission Board, in Atlanta, Ga.). It was extremely difficult to secure executive heads for the two newly created boards. Some felt that it would have been more economical to have continued their foreign mission work through the well organized board of the Triennial Convention. And many thought that the Board of Domestic Missions was unnecessary, because the work could be

to the authority and purpose of the New Testament makes it necessary for him to part company with his Roman Catholic or Protestant friend. Jesus is absolute Lord. The church has no right to undo what Jesus has done. When Presbyterians tell us that this is a principle of their denomination as well as of the Baptists, we ask them for the authority in the scriptures for sprinkling and for infant baptism.

Changing Teachings is Serious

In conclusion, I say that it is a serious matter to change the teachings of the New Testament. To those who keep "sacraments," or observe an elaborate ritual about which the New Testament knows nothing, or possess an elaborate and extensive form of government, I say: "You have added to teachings of the New Testament which is the only and sufficient law for New Testament churches. You have done that which is distinctly forbidden."

In Revelation 22:18 the inspired writer says: "I testify to every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life." It is dangerous to presume to change the teachings of the New Testament. You dare not subtract from by changing the mode of baptism. You dare not add to by multiplying rites of ritual. Let us who are Baptists remember the saying of one of our greatest Baptist teachers:

"All the New Testament is the law of Christianity. The New Testament is all the law of Christianity. The New Testament will always be the law of Christianity."

done by the district associations and state conventions.

But despite all the handicaps from without and from within, the economic, social, political, and religious conditions existing, these two boards forged ahead until now they are two of the most powerful religious agencies in all our land. The Convention confined its energies to these two agencies for several years.

Then it became apparent that in order to do efficient missionary work at home and abroad, it was necessary to have a trained leadership. As a result of this feeling, the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was established at Greenville, S. C., with J. P. Boyce as president. Later, in 1859, the Seminary was moved to Louisville, Ky., where it is now located and Ellis A. Fuller is president.

W. M. U. Organized in 1888

The next one of our Southwide agencies to be organized was the Woman's Missionary Union in 1888 with headquarters in Baltimore. It is now located in Birmingham with Miss Kathleen Mallory as Executive Secretary.

The Sunday School Board was the next to be established in 1891 with Nashville, Tenn., as headquarters, and J. M. Frost as secretary. T. L. Holcomb is the present Executive Secretary.

The Baptist Training Union came next in 1893. It is now a department of the Sunday School Board with J. E. Lambdin, secretary.

Then the Baptist Brotherhood of the South in 1907, with J. T. Henderson, secretary, Knoxville, Tenn. Headquarters have been moved to Memphis and Lawson Cooke is secretary.

The Social Service Commission came into being in 1908 with A. J. Barton as chairman. J. B. Weatherspoon, Southern Seminary, Louisville, is the present chairman.

The Southwestern Seminary was the next to be organized in 1910 with B. H. Carroll as president. It is now located in Fort Worth, Texas, and E. D. Head is president.

The Education Commission came along in 1916. The present chairman of this Commission is Charles D. Johnson, Waco, Texas.

B. B. I. Organized

The Baptist Bible Institute was the next agency of the Convention to be established in 1918. Duke McCall, New Orleans, is now president.

The Relief and Annuity Board was established the same year (1918) in Dallas, Texas. Thos. J. Watts is the Executive Secretary.

In 1924, the Southern Baptist Hospital was established in New Orleans with Louis J. Bristow as superintendent.

In the same year, 1924, the American Baptist Theological Seminary for Negroes was established in Nashville. E. P. Aldredge, Nashville, is chairman of the Seminary Commission.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1927 with headquarters in Nashville, Tenn., with Austin Crouch as Executive Secretary. Later J. E. Dillard and Walter M. Gilmore were added to the personnel as director of promotion and publicity director and treasurer.

The Radio Committee is the latest child of the Convention. It was set up as a permanent committee of the Convention in 1944, with Sam F. Lowe, Atlanta, Ga., as director.